## Strategic Land Management Planning

Using the 1982 Planning Rule Procedures

#### **-Legal and Regulatory Hierarchy**

- The National Forest Management Act (NFMA) requires a plan for each forest
- 1982 Planning Rule describes the procedures used to put a plan in place
- Plans are detailed descriptions of desired conditions, management objectives, strategies and standards to guide future activities.
- Projects are designed to accomplish objectives and move toward the restoration or achievement of Desired Conditions

## We have learned that:

Plans must be adaptive to address rapidly changing issues.





## Relationship to Sustainability:

- Ecological, Economic, and Social Components of Sustainability.
- Economic and Social Components address the 'role' the forest plays in the local and Regional context.
- Ecological sustainability focuses on the maintenance, restoration, or achievement of desired resource conditions.

#### **Process**

- Will involve an evaluation of current conditions, utilize an environmental impact statement, public involvement, collaborative discussions, as well as formal and informal comment periods.
- Will include either an appeal or objection process.

#### **Revised Forest Plans are expected to:**

- Make no site specific decisions.
- Focus more on the desired condition of land when management is completed rather than the products that can be removed.
- Display management intent for the next 10 15 years
- Be adaptive to changing conditions.
- Utilize an environmental impact statement to meet the regulatory requirements of NEPA.
- Conduct analysis at the appropriate scope and

#### **Plan Decisions include:**

- Goals and Objectives (Desired Conditions.
- Management Areas (Places, Zones, Landscapes, Watersheds)
- Management Requirements (standards and guidelines
- Timber Suitability
- Wilderness and Special Areas
- Monitoring requirements

# We will continue to involve people:



Through public involvement processes and...

## **Collaboration:**

Real headway is made when people talk with each other face to face...... or even go to the field!





## **Agency Expectations**

- Accomplish Forest Plan Revision using aspirational & strategic planning concepts that emphasize:
  - Diversity/Sustainability
  - Public Involvement and Collaboration
  - Plan Components to develop a 'framework for sustainability'.